

# MAYOR ROBERTS AND HIS 26 PALS HIT BY VERDICT

## 27 DEFENDANTS IN TERRE HAUTE ELECTION CASES CONVICTED

### SENTENCES ARE DEFERRED; NO DEMONSTRATION MADE

#### FRAUDS IN INDIANA CITY MOST FLAGRANT IN ANALS OF WEST

(By Associated Press.)

Indianapolis, Ind., April 6.—All of the twenty-seven defendants, including Mayor Don Roberts, in the Terre Haute election fraud cases, were found guilty by a jury today in federal court.

The jury retired at 6 o'clock Monday night and reported its verdict when court opened this morning.

Judge Anderson announced that sentences would be passed next Monday.

Meanwhile, he permitted all defendants to remain at liberty under their previous bonds.

There were many relatives of the defendants in court when the verdict was read, but there was no demonstration.

The election frauds in Terre Haute were the most flagrant known in the election annals of the middle west. Gun men were imported by Mayor Roberts and his lieutenants to "handle election precincts," and the results wanted were obtained.

# REPORT THAT CHINA AND JAPAN DECLARE WAR

(By Associated Press.)

The Hague, April 6.—A report was circulated in Berlin that war had been declared between China and Japan. Both the Chinese and Japanese ministers at The Hague deny there is any truth in the report.

## MILLIONAIRE KILLS SELF.

Washington, April 6.—William K. Pierce, formerly a millionaire radiator manufacturer of the firm of Pierce Butler and Pierce, at Syracuse, killed himself by shooting through his head. He was said to have had business reverses.

# GERMANY PROTESTS ODENWALD'S DETENTION

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, April 6.—Germany today protested to the United States against the detention of the American-Hamburg liner, Odenwald, at San Juan, Porto Rico, under the neutrality regulations.

# DRUMRIGHT OFFICER SHOT WHILE RAIDING

Drumright, Okla., April 6.—While attempting to raid a supposed bootlegging joint in the west part of the city last night Officer C. F. Cline was shot once through the arm with a .38-caliber revolver in the hands of Bob St. Marie, owner of the place.

## FINED A RAILROAD \$200,000.

Trenton, N. J., April 6.—The Central railroad of New Jersey was today fined the sum of \$200,000 in the United States district court by Judge Rollstab for having been convicted of rebating to the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company. The road was fined \$8,000 on twenty-five of the 185 counts against it.

# BAD CHECK ARTIST ARRESTED AT PURCELL

HAD PASSED A TWENTY DOLLAR BOGUS CHECK ON LOCAL MERCHANT.

Ed Thornberry, former tenant farmer of North Logan, was arrested at Purcell last night on a wire to the sheriff there from Wm. Sherwood, sheriff of Logan county. Thornberry is charged with passing a forged check for \$20 on a local merchant last month. He was traced to Oklahoma City and from there to Purcell. Sheriff Sherwood left today to bring the prisoner back. At Oklahoma City Thornberry attempted to pass another check, but was turned down. He made his getaway before the officers could serve a warrant.

Several weeks ago Thornberry and his brother had trouble with John Hopkins at Crescent City over a farm lease. Thornberry knocked Hopkins down and was arrested and fined in county court here. The check offered by Thornberry at Oklahoma City bore the forged signature of John Hopkins and was made payable to F. Thornberry, a brother of the man arrested at Purcell last night.

# RULES FOR COUNTY SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS RECEIVED

Miss Margaret Doolittle, county superintendent of school has received the rules governing annual examinations for county school diplomas that are being sent out by the state board of education. The periods for examinations are April 15 and 16 and May 13 and 14. County superintendents are to act as chairman of the boards of examiners. Other members of the committee to be holders of first grade certificates.

Pupils must make a general average of 75 per cent. Those failing to pass may retain all grades of eighty-five and above, and have the privilege of completing the remaining branches the following year.

The complete schedule of the different studies and the time of their examination is also given. It is also urged by the department that arrangements may be made to present diplomas at public school commencements or at special commencements held during the summer normal institutes.

## TWO MANIACS CREMATED

Oklahoma City, April 6. Cecil Holford, 21, of Washita county, and John Lemon, 30, of El Reno, two inmates of the insane asylum at Supply were burned to death in a fire which destroyed one of the wards at that institution last week.

# PREDICT THAT WELCH WILL BE IMPEACHED

## STATE TO USE 25 WITNESSES IN TRIAL OF INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

Special to The Daily Leader.

Oklahoma City, April 6.—Predictions are freely made in and about the senate chamber that A. L. Welch, state insurance commissioner, will be impeached. "It's in the air," said one senator, "and Welch will likely go the way of Watson."

Six witnesses for the state were examined today in the Welch court of impeachment. Most of the testimony so far touches on the depositing, by Welch, of insurance funds in his bank at Purcell, thereby "cheating the state of interest on the funds." J. H. Perry, connected with the Purcell bank, said that some time before Welch was appointed insurance commissioner, he had contracted to dispose of his interest in the bank, and that a short time after he became commissioner the deal was made. It had been charged that Welch

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# MISS MUNSON IN SCULPTOR AND IN REAL LIFE.



Miss Munson in Daniel Chester French's "The Genius of Creation." Miss Munson as She is Today.

between the artists and the prudes. A really serious effort is being made by some persons to have these works of art removed, works executed by some of the best American sculptors.

One photograph here shown is from Daniel Chester French's piece "The Genius of Creation." It portrays the woman looking out on the mystery of life, the woman ignorant of life and its trials. The figure is merely part of the whole piece, but in the opinion of Mr. French it comes nearer the ideal form of woman than even that of the Venus de Milo.

The other photograph represents Miss Munson in real life. The comparison is thus interesting and striking. It shows that it is possible even for a woman of perfect figure to dress herself becomingly, despite the demands of modern fashion.

# GOOD ROADERS WILL STAGE 2-DAY STUNT

WILL JOIN WITH OKLAHOMA CITY BOOSTERS IN BUILDING ROAD

Everything is lined up for a big day's work on the north and south highway tomorrow and for a still bigger day on Thursday. A force of blasters is blowing up some of the hills today and getting things in readiness for the volunteer workers tomorrow. Autos will leave the Chamber of Commerce at 7:30 for the south line and every man who is willing to do a day's work for the good of the community should be on hand with a pick, shovel or ax and a dinner bucket of grub. Hot coffee will be served on the line, but each man is to bring his own dinner.

Most of the work will be done on the five miles between Seward and Waterloo and both Edmond and Oklahoma City will send delegations of workers who will work north from

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# NEW TAX LAW CHANGES TIME OF PAYMENT

ONE-HALF TAXES PAYABLE BEFORE JANUARY 1; OTHER HALF JUNE 15.

An important change in the laws as regards the time of paying taxes and the method of collecting them was made by the recent legislature, and the county officials are receiving copies of the law from the secretary of state. It is as follows:

"One-half of all taxes levied upon ad valorem property shall be paid on or before January 1, 1916, and for each fiscal year thereafter shall become

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# WILLARD IS SHOWERED WITH CHOICE GIFTS

RECEIPTS OF BIG FIGHT AMOUNT TO \$125,000; JOHNSON TO MARTINQUE

(By Associated Press.)

Havana, April 6.—Citizens of Havana gave a big public reception to Jess Willard, the pugilistic champion last night, and presented him a watch.

Spectators, tourists and fight promoters are leaving the city as fast as facilities offer.

Willard spent the evening sight seeing with friends from Kansas, and retired early.

The fight promoters were at the race track long after midnight, counting the gate receipts.

Johnson, evading the crowds, went

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# WIFE DESERTED AFTER 21 YEARS OF WEDDED LIFE

After 21 years of wedded life Elizabeth Davison today brought suit against John Davison, charging desertion. The couple were married in New York in 1894. She says in her petition that she was deserted in 1914 without cause. She asks for an absolute divorce and the property. There are no children.

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# BLUE PENCIL MAKES HOWARD VERY ANGRY

## GOVERNOR TRIMS UP SEVERAL OFFICES, INCLUDING AUDITOR'S 2 CLERKS

Special to The Daily Leader.

Oklahoma City, April 6.—There is friction between Gov. Williams and Auditor Howard. The auditor is angry and while he says but little the "mad" is there. The cause is due to the governor's action in lopping off two clerks in Howard's office. The blue pencil hit as follows: State auditor's office, assistant to railway and public service corporation clerk at salary for 1916-17, \$3,000 and assistant to gross revenue, income, inheritance and graduated land clerk, salary for 1916-17, \$3,500.

Howard says these clerks are absolutely needed and that "cruel economy is a senseless thing."

The governor lopped \$24,000 off the general appropriation bill. Departments of geology, auditor and state library were hit.

# BONDS FORFEITED FOR NON-APPEARANCE

WHEN WIFE DESERTER AND BOOZE VENDOR FAIL TO APPEAR, CHAPPELLE ACTS.

Two appearance bonds were ordered forfeited to the county today by Judge John D. Chappelle of the county court, when the defendants failed to appear when their cases were called. One was for wife desertion, \$250, and the other was a booze case, \$500. Joe Chitwood, charged with violating the prohibitory law and Oliver Butler for wife desertion were the two. "I certainly will not stand for this sort of thing so long as I am

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# PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WINS PIANO CONTEST

MONARCH MANAGEMENT COMPLETES COUNT OF 2,000,000 BALLOTS MONDAY.

The piano contest, which has been running at the Monarch store for the past six weeks came to a close Saturday night April 3rd, and the votes were counted Monday. The United Presbyterian church of Guthrie are the winners. They cast \$44,035 votes and Miss Lois Pope who lives on S. F. D. No. 9, Guthrie, ran second, with 548 685 votes; Miss Opal Robertson was third with 392,490 votes.

Manager B. J. Coughlan says, "We are very well pleased with the results of this piano contest. It has brought us many new customers and made our store a busy place for the past six weeks. We feel that it is very high priced advertising, but we have always contended that 'advertising pays.'"

The United Presbyterian church, on Cleveland and Ash street will initiate their new piano Wednesday evening at the regular congregational meeting, the first one-half hour from 7:30 to 8 will be devoted to a musical. Rev. F. G. Wright extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend this meeting Wednesday night, and hear the music.

# VOTE IS HEAVY IN CONTEST FOR CITY JOBS

With a much heavier vote polled up to 3 o'clock this afternoon than was cast in the primaries, the race for Commissioner of Public Safety is a neck and neck contest, with Robertson ahead in the south First, Fifth, A precinct of the Fourth and B precinct of the Third. Mitchell was leading in the East Third, A precinct of the Second and A precinct of the First ward. Friends of both candidates claim the election by 100 majority.

In the contest for members of the school board, Mrs. E. S. Lowther is apparently an easy winner with Dr. Hughes and O. L. Brooks contesting for the second place. W. J. Dwinell will carry the precincts on the West Side it is thought.

Harry Carlin and Fred Beck for treasurer of the school board, is a horse race, both claiming the victory by a small margin. The women will decide this contest.

The total vote cast up to 3 o'clock in the nine precincts of the city total 1220, or nearly or within two votes of the total cast in the primaries.

The proposition submitted by the commissioners to amend the charter, making the tenure of office two in place of six years for city commissioners will receive a big majority.

# 100 AFTER JOB VACATED BY COL. WATSON

## BUT GOVERNOR WILLIAMS WILL NOT ACT UNTIL AFTER WELCH TRIAL

Oklahoma City, Okla., April 6.—Governor Williams has stated that he will not consider the appointment of a successor to A. P. Watson on the corporation commission until after the Welch impeachment trial is concluded. There are now nearly a hundred applications for the place on the commission, but it is the impression among these close to the governor that he will not consider anyone who has made an application for the place. He will go outside of those who are willing to make the "sacrifice" to serve their state and get a man who will give twice the service to the state that he is paid for. That is the kind of man the governor is looking for, and he will suit himself as to who this man might be. Names of several have been mentioned in connection with the place, but the governor is not thinking about this yet, except that he is keeping his eye on some man who will answer the description he has given.

# BRITISH CATCH SUBMARINE IN A STEEL NET

## WHEN GERMAN SEA MAUL-RADER GOES UNDER, TRAP IS SPRUNG

# TWO MORE SHIPS ARE SENT TO THE BOTTOM

## ALLIES OPEN NEW PHASE OF CAMPAIGN IN THE WEST; FRENCH GAINS

(By Associated Press.)

Paris, April 6.—A German submarine became securely entangled in a steel net specially designed for that purpose, and placed off Dover, according to the Petit Journal's Dunkirk correspondent, who adds that the British naval authorities expect to capture the submarine when it comes to the surface.

(By Associated Press.)

London, April 6.—An attack which the German military chiefs regard as the opening of a new phase of the western campaign has been initiated by the French in a section of the front between the Meuse and Moselle.

The official statement from Berlin said the French employed strong forces with a large amount of artillery, in making assaults at several points yesterday.

The fighting was particularly spirited in the neighborhood of Verdun and Pont-A-Mousson.

Britain expects a continuation of these attacks. The statement says little was accomplished by these assaults, although it is admitted in one section the French gained a temporary foothold.

The official French statement gives few details of the fighting beyond the claim that in two places advances were made.

There is much fighting near the Russian borders. The German war office says the Russian attacks were repulsed.

Says Germans are in Retreat.

Unofficial Austrian news reaching London via Paris declared that the Austro-German forces in the vicinity of Lupkow pass are in full retreat but all other reports from this section indicate that the opposing armies are still locked in a deadly grapple.

Russia reports fighting within the boundaries of Bukovina, north of Czernowitz.

## Another Ship Sent Below.

London, April 6.—The British steamer, Northlands, of two thousand tons, with a cargo of iron ore, was sent to the bottom by a German submarine in the English channel, off Beachyhead, Monday. The steamer sank in ten minutes after being struck. The crew of twenty-four was rescued by a Belgian steamer.

## Trawler Is Torpedoed.

Blythe, England, April 6.—The trawler Agantha, was attacked by a

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# THE WEATHER



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(By Associated Press.) New Orleans, La., April 6.—Tonight rain; Wednesday cloudy, probably rain in extreme east portion. Colder in north portion.